

I, LINDA A. KELLEHER, City Clerk of the City of Reading, Pa., do hereby certify, that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Resolution passed by the Council of the City of Reading, on the 15th day of Jan. A. D. 2008. Witness my hand and seal of the said City this 15th day of Jan. A. D. 2008.

CITY CLERK

## RESOLUTION NO. 4-2008

WHEREAS, the City of Reading is authorized to collect delinquent taxes pursuant to the Municipal Claims and Tax Liens Act, 53 P.S. Section 7101 et seq. (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Reading has determined that it is in the best interest of all taxpayers and other residents to have vigorous enforcement of all delinquent and other unpaid charges, utilizing the procedures set forth in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the City of Reading has contracted with a third party collector for the collection of delinquent real estate taxes for the years 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007, utilizing the procedures set forth in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Berks County Tax Claim Bureau is an agent of the City of Reading as per 72 P.S. Section 5860.208 of the Real Estate Tax Sale Law (RETSL); and

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF READING HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City of Reading declares that it is collecting the delinquent real estate taxes for the years 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 utilizing the procedures set forth in the Act, exclusively and independently of any other statute governing the collection of taxes, including the act of July 7, 1947 (P.L. 1368, No. 542), known as the "Real Estate Tax Sale Law" and independent of any county tax claim bureau.
2. The City of Reading directs the Berks County Tax Claim Bureau not take any action to collect the delinquent real estate taxes for the years 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007. Furthermore, the City of Reading directs the Berks County Tax Claim Bureau not to incur any costs or liabilities for said delinquent taxes.
3. **Related Action.** The proper officials of the City of Reading are hereby authorized and empowered to take such additional action as they may deem necessary or appropriate to implement this Resolution.

Adopted by Council Jan 14 2008

President of Council

Attest:

City Clerk